TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 3681 - SB 3542

March 4, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Broadens the definition of "drug paraphernalia" to include roach clips, rose and pen combinations, cocaine spoons, and certain tobacco products.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Currently drug paraphernalia is either a Class A misdemeanor or a Class E felony.
- According to the Department of Correction, there would not be an increase in the number of Class E felony convictions because the items added would likely be covered under the general description currently contained in the definition.
- Any impact to the caseloads of the state trial courts can be accommodated within the existing judicial resources without an increased appropriation.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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